



Memorandum

To: Provost and Chief Academic Officers

From: Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer

Date: November 4, 2022

Subject: Updates to the Geography Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) Course Learning Outcomes Revisions

Background

The Ohio Articulation and Transfer Network (OATN) sent a request to the Geography Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) faculty review panel lead and members to determine if revisions were needed for the following courses:

- **OSS006- Physical Geography**
- **OSS007- Human Geography or Cultural Geography**
- **OSS008- World Regional Geography**
- **OSS026- Map Communication and Analysis**

With the Geography TAG courses scheduled for learning outcome review, upon examination of current course learning outcomes it was recommended by the TAG review panel that several minor updates were required for each of the four courses.

Please share this memo and the attachment with appropriate faculty and administrators at your institution who manage/teach Geography TAG courses.

Outline of Revisions:

OSS006- Physical Geography

- Revision to learning outcome #7: addition of “water cycle” and “evapotranspiration”.

OSS007- Human Geography or Cultural Geography

- Revision to learning outcome #1: addition of “different settings and at various scales”.
- Revisions to learning outcomes #4, #6, #8, and #9: clarifications in language

OSS008- World Regional Geography

- Revision to learning outcome #5: addition of “migration”.

OSS026- Map Communication and Analysis

- Revision to learning outcome #4: addition of “graphic forms of information and/or maps”.

Please note: OSS051- Introduction to Geographic Information Systems is a separate review panel that will review OSS051 learning outcomes for revisions during their next panel review cycle timeline.

Implications to Your Geography TAG Courses:

The spirit of the previous learning outcomes continues to be implemented however, with minor clarifications. With these updates the TAG panel recommends that institutions with courses already approved will not be required to resubmit for additional validation. The updated learning outcomes will be used for any new submissions beginning with the Spring 2023 TAG review cycle.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessi Spencer at jspencer@highered.ohio.gov or 614-728-4706, or Michelle Blaney at mblaney@highered.ohio.gov or 614-644-9601.

Attachments (1)